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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

George H. LOWELL

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For: **IMMUNOPOTENTIATING SYSTEMS** 

> FOR PREPARATION OF **IMMUNOGENIC MATERIALS**

Examiner: R. Budens

Group Art Unit: 1848



Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 22, 1999 for which a response was due on September 22, 1999 and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from September 22, 1999 to December 22, 1999.

The pending/considered claims, claims 1-9 have been rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.